

NOVEMBER 3, 2004 MEETING

374 HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

Commissioners Present

Steven Afriat, President
Renee Campbell, Vice President
James Barger, Secretary
Sylvia Robledo
Diana Wood

County Representatives

Ressie Roman, Fifth District
Rochelle Tatsumi, Fifth District
John Schunhoff, DHS Public Health
Richard Townsend, County Counsel
Jonathan Geller, County Counsel
Allison Morse, County Counsel
Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax
Jacqueline Harris, LASD

Commission Services Staff

Steve Erickson
Gabriel Alexander

CALL TO ORDER

President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Applicants and witnesses were sworn to testify truthfully.

MINUTES:

ACTION TAKEN: MINUTES of OCTOBER 27, 2004 – Approved

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by Commissioner Wood

Ayes: President Afriat, Vice President Campbell and Commissioners Barger and Wood

Abstention: Commissioner Robledo

Vote: Duly carried

**PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR BILLIARD ROOM BUSINESS LICENSE
ID # 130925**

Sung Mo Kim
Man Hwa Billiard
19037 Colima Road
Rowland Heights Fourth District

Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax, indicated this new application for a billiard room license is a change of ownership and that all required departments have indicated their approval of this license.

Investigator Jacqueline Harris, Sheriff Department License Detail, spoke on the additional conditions recommended for the billiard room's business license. She explained that the department recommended approval with 11 conditions which the applicant has agreed to comply with.

The applicant Sung Mo Kim explained he has 11 pool tables, 6 of which are Korean style game tables. He also explained that the operation of time machines is connected to the tables and that there are no other coin-operated machines. Mr. Kim indicated that he will comply with all recommended conditions. Specifically, he will not allow any gambling nor sell alcoholic beverages and will require identification of any presumed minors.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the license with the condition that "No Gambling" signs be posted at all times and that the applicant follow all conditions recommended by the Sherriff's Department .

Motion: Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Robledo

Vote: Unanimously carried

**PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR WATER TAXI OPERATOR/WATER TAXI
(1 boat) BUSINESS LICENSE ID # 131197**

Ena L. Murua
Gondola De Amore
13900 Panay Way
Marina Del Rey Fourth District

Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax, indicated that this is a new application and that all required departments recommend approval. Beaches & Harbors recommends approval with the condition that the applicant obtain a commercial sublease.

The applicant Ena L. Murua explained that she recently acquired the gondola, that she intends to sail it in the Marina as a water taxi and that she has liability insurance.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the license subject to the condition that the applicant provide the Treasurer Tax with a fully executed commercial sub-lease.

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Wood

Vote: Unanimously carried

CONSENT CALENDAR CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS

The Blind Children's Center
4120 Marathon Street
Los Angeles

The John Douglas French Alzheimer's Foundation
11620 Wilshire Blvd., #270
Los Angeles

American Lung Association of Los Angeles County
5858 Wilshire Blvd., # 300
Los Angeles

ACTION TAKEN: The Notice of Intention to Solicit Applications were approved.

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by President Afriat

Vote: Unanimously carried

APPROVE DELETION OF DEFINITIONS IN EXHIBIT "A" OF BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued this matter for additional information and explanation.

Motion: Commissioner Robledo, seconded by Commissioner Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

MATTERS NOT ON POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING): There were none.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS: There were none.

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION AND COMMENTS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDINANCE ON COMMERCIAL SEX VENUES (CSV)CONTINUED FROM OCTOBER 20,2004 AND OCTOBER 27, 2004

President Afriat announced he had a conflict of interest in this matter and recused himself.

(President Afriat was excused from the meeting).

RECESS: The Commission recessed at 9:27 a.m.

RECONVENE: The Commission reconvened at 9:31 a.m.

John Schunhoff, DHS Public Health, reported on the San Diego Bathhouse Ordinance, and compared those regulations with those that govern bathhouses and sex clubs in Los Angeles County. Mr. Shunhoff also reported on the necessary posting of proper signage and described license applications and various operational and sanitation requirements for these clubs.

The Commission discussed differences between the San Diego Ordinance and Los Angeles County regulations for these venues.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commissioners will schedule site visitations of a CSV either as a group or as individuals.

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by Commissioner Robledo

Vote: Unanimously carried

Detective Benjamin Jones, Los Angeles Police Department, reported on licensing and

permits granted to bathhouses within the City of Los Angeles. He reported on secondary effects that surround these types of businesses. He further explained operation requirements for police permits, required inspections and other regulations.

ACTION TAKEN: **The Commission requests information from the City of Los Angeles of any criminal activity or negative secondary effects to areas surrounding CRV's.**

Motion: **Commissioner Robledo, seconded by Commissioner Barger**

Vote: **Unanimously carried**

Richard Townsend, County Counsel, discussed ex parte visitations and conditions of The Brown Act.

Scott Campbell, the owner of Mid Towne Spa, reported on his permits and compliance with city requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

ADJOURNMENT: The Commission adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Steven Afriat
President